



November 9, 2021

Re: Environmental Assessment in the East Pittman Community

Dear Resident,

The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) is committed to protecting public health and the natural environment. As you may know, in January 2019, NDEP directed the Nevada Environmental Response Trust (NERT) to commence a series of environmental analyses, scientific modeling, and human health risk assessments to test for elevated levels of chloroform in and around the Black Mountain Industrial (BMI) Complex. If inhaled or consumed on a regular basis at high enough levels, chloroform may cause adverse health effects.

NDEP is pleased to inform you that, based on hundreds of samples collected over nearly five years, testing indicated NO health concerns for chloroform in your community, and the likelihood of harmful chloroform levels in nearby homes remains very low.

Nevertheless, out of an abundance of caution and consistent with recommendations from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, NDEP has directed NERT to evaluate several homes in the Pittman neighborhood to confirm that indoor chloroform vapor levels are consistent with previous test results and determine whether any action is needed to support the health and wellbeing of nearby residents. **The testing is planned for December 2021 - March 2022**, and results will be provided to all area residents and posted online at <https://bit.ly/2WKflw1>

To learn more about this project, please join NDEP for a Virtual Community Information Meeting:

When: December 9, 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Attend virtually: <https://call.lifesizecloud.com/12453539>. Note: The meeting will be recorded and posted on NDEP's website, along with other information related to chloroform testing in the East Pittman neighborhood.

Summary: NDEP will present background information and the history of the NERT site, along with information about the recent modeling and risk assessments. The meeting will also include a Q&A session to provide the public with opportunities to ask questions. For more information and the latest updates, please visit <https://bit.ly/2WKflw1>.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me directly. We look forward to keeping the community informed every step of the way throughout this project.

Sincerely,

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